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C O N F I D E N T I A L KUWAIT 1574

AUB DHABI FOR AMBASSADOR STOLTZFUS

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS KU

SUBJECT: MILITARY SALES - QUERIES BY U. S. COMPANIES

1. EMBASSY HAS BEGUN TO GET QUERIES FROM U. S. DEFENSE SUPPLIERS SUCH AS GTE/ SYLVANIAN, WESTINGHOUSE AND MCDONNELL/ DOUGLAS RE POTENTIAL SALES TO KUWAIT ARMED FORCES. AS DEPARTMENT AWARE, GOK WANTS TO DEAL ON A GOVERNMENT- TO- GOVERNMENT BASIS IN CONNECTION WITH MILITARY PURCHASES. AT PRESENT JUNCTURE WE BELIEVE INDIVIDUAL COMPANIES SHOULD BE DISCOURAGED FROM COMING TO KUWAIT AND WE INTEND SUGGEST TO THOSE WHO INQUIRE THAT THEY CHECK FIRST WITH DOD (COLONEL KELLY) AND/ OR STATE (LUMSDEN) WHO CAN EXPLAIN WE BELIEVE THIS TO BE BOTH IN USG AND COMPANIES' BEST INTERESTS.

2. AMBASSADOR STOLTZFUS RECEIVED LETTER DATED
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APRIL 20 FROM BARRY TAYLOR, WASHINGTON REP. MCDONNELL/
DOUGLAS. TAYLOR INFORMED US HE AND FRANK POSEHWISH
TO VISIT KUWAIT MAY 18- MAY 22 TO DISCUSS
MILITARY AIRCRAFT SALES. DEPARTMENT REQUESTED
DISCUSS VISIT WITH TAYLOR AND IF POSSIBLE GET
COMPANY POSTPONE VISIT HERE FOR TIME BEING.

3. SHOULD INFO ADDRESSEES RECEIVE QUERIES FROM
LOCAL REPS OF US COMPANIES WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR
ADVISING THEM ALONG THE LINES PARA 1.
AMBASSADOR CONCURS.
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